THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) to (d) The Central Government implements the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, 1980,which provide for pension to freedom fighters and, on their demise to their eligible dependents. Information on the policy adopted by various State Governments regarding allotment of land to freedom fighters and their widows is not maintained.

Putting para-military forces in the forefront for tackling terrorism

3729 MS. SUSHILATIRIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to place Central para-military forces in the forefront of tackling terrorism and internal security;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether these forces would enjoy the same financial incentives, that army is enjoying, and ;

(d) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) There is no proposal for any change in the charter of Central Paramilitary Forces which are deployed for border guarding and internal security/counter insurgency duties in various parts of the country.

(b)to(d) Do not arise.

Convicted women prisoners living with their children

†3730. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of convicted women prisoners in the country with whom their children are compelled to live;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.